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I saw another messenger flying through the midst of heaven, having everlasting good news to proclaim to the inhabitants of the earth, even to every nation, and tribe, and tongue, and people; saying with a loud voice—Fear God, and give glory to him, for the hour of his judgments is come; and worship Him who made heaven, and earth, and sea, and the fountains of water.

JOHN.

Great is the truth, and mighty above all things, and will prevail!

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I visited the churches of Richmond, King William, King and Queen, Essex, Caroline, and Fredericksburg, and must say that I never saw more harmony and pure benevolence than I found to exist in the Old Virginia churches.

Richmond, the great city of hospitality, must, at some day, not very remote, be the leading city of the Reformation. My reason for this conclusion is simply this, that the Virginians are independent, and will think and act for themselves, the clergy to the contrary notwithstanding. Independence of thought being the birthright of Virginians, Richmond, her capital, must, of course, possess it in a pre eminent degree. So let the brethren continue faithful and they have nothing to fear for our Master's cause in Richmond.

The Rappahannock church in Essex sustains an evangelist, and I need hardly observe that there was not a church that I visited in the Old Dominion but might do the same.

Brother J. D. Ferguson, the evangelist of Essex county, is a young and talented proclaimer, and has done much to allay prejudices in his field of labor.

I had the pleasure to see and hear our beloved brethren Coleman and Henshall. Their manners are very affable, and style chaste, well becoming the old Virginia taste—unquestionably as good, if not the best in this respect, to be found.

The brethren of Virginia I can never forget. They have made the most lasting impressions upon my memory. The affectionate regard shown to myself and family by the Henleys, Duvalls, Wares, Brays, Davises, Glenss, Braggs, Wallers, Bootlis, Woodforks, Mills, Johnsons, Campbells, and hundreds of others, can never be forgotten.

Leaving old Virginia, I came to Baltimore, staid one night, and proceeded according to promise, to Beaver Creek Church; where, in company with old brother Ferguson and Caldwell, we labored three or four days. The church at this place was once very prosperous; but unfortunately a division took place, which prostrated the usefulness of the evangelist in this section. The causes which led to this state of affairs, I, of course, do not know, only as they were related to me by different persons. That which seems to have been most conducive to the division was the willingness of a part to fellowship the doctrines of a certain Mr. Hubble, which are said to be highly prejudicial to the peace of any church. I will here observe that I know nothing of this gentleman only as I heard, having never seen him. I was informed that his conduct, so far as morality was concerned, was unexceptionable, but that he persists in doctrines and teachings untaught in the word. At any rate, the brethren in Old Virginia would not fellowship him unless he would abandon his speculations; which, for the peace and good of our Master's cause, I trust he will do. But, to return to the case of the church, it must be remarked that the whole church at first agreed to receive him; and then, shame to say, divided about it. Our object, however, was to unite them again if we could; and to the lasting honor of those to whom the charge of Hubbleism had attached, they unanimously agreed to withdraw their fellowship for Mr. Hubble unless he would abandon his speculations. We consequently succeeded in restoring six or eight, who will, I hope, prove faithful until death. I will here say to evangelists travelling that way, that they will find a very happy reception from brethren Kratzer, Bell, Funk, and others of this little church, six miles east of Hagerstown, Md.

From thence I came direct to Red Stone, 9 miles west of Uniontown. Stopped at brother Shotwell's, continued six or eight days, and proceeded to Pittsburg; staid four or five days; thence to see you at Bethany. And now, sir, in conclusion I have to say, from what I have seen and heard, that all we have to do is to let speculations alone, preach the word, live up to our high profession, and the Bible must triumph over the religious systems of men. In my travels and preaching I had the pleasure of seeing many additions to the saved: to whom, with all that fear, love, and obey the Lord, may eternal blessings be multiplied!

A. P. LAW.

Centreville, Kentucky, June 2, 1841.

Since our most interesting meeting at Lexington, I have been busily and successfully engaged for the Lord. At a four days meeting at Antioch, in this county, embracing the third Lord's day in April, eight confessed the Lord. Brothers Rogers and Weekly were with me. On the 4th Lord's day, in the same month, a young man made the good confession at Cooper's Run. On the 1st in May two most interesting youths at Leesburg professed faith. Brother J. Irvin was with us there. On the 3d Lord's day in May I was with brother Rogers at Clintonville, in this county. The meeting continued until Tuesday evening following. Eight rallied to the standard of Immanuel. On the next Lord's day I spoke near Winchester. Mrs. Cunningham made a public avowal of her faith, and was immersed. On Friday before the 4th Lord's day we commenced a meeting at Cooper's Run, near Paris, which continued six days. Eleven volunteered in the service of our glorious Lord. Last Saturday, the 29th ult. we began another meeting at Republican, on Beaver, in Harrison county. Brother J. Irvin was present. We labored on until yesterday evening. Twelve in all surrendered to the Prince of Peace. I may say for the last 18 days I have labored in the good cause incessantly, save 3 days, and have seen 32 volunteer in the service of our conquering Leader. This only, however, embraces the three last named meetings. The Lord being, as he has been, my Almighty helper, I want, when you hear of my falling into the tomb, should you survive me, that you should also hear I fell triumphing in the hope of a joyous immortality.

JNO. ALLEN GANO.